

A NEW COWRY *CYPRAEA JENSOSTERGAARDI*

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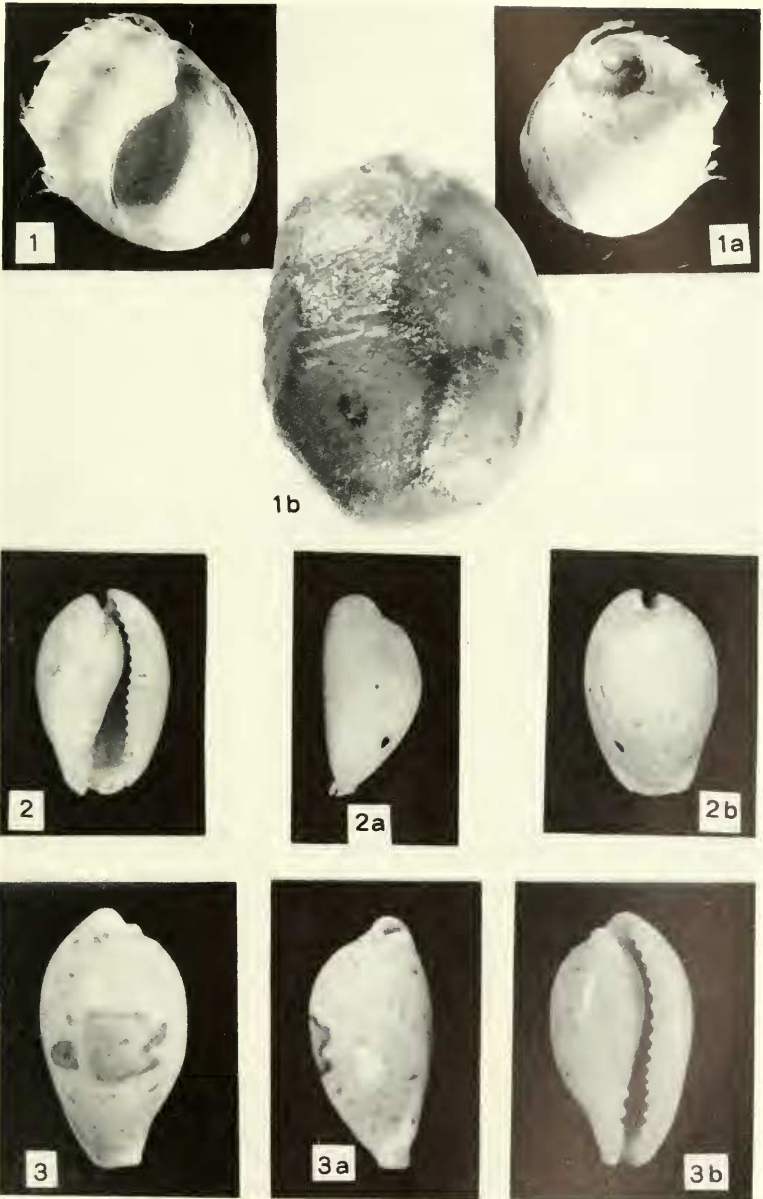
The writer has been able to obtain only one specimen of this small species. It was collected by Mr. M. Nakamura in the living state in the waters about Koror Island, Palau Group, Caroline Islands, and was sent to the writer through the courtesy of Mr. Yoshio Kondo of the Department of Conchology of the Bernice P. Bishop Museum, Honolulu.

This species is named for Mr. Jens Mathias Ostergaard of the Department of Zoology of the University of Hawaii, who has long been an inspiring teacher and an enthusiastic student of the Cypraeidae.

CYPRAEA JENSOSTERGAARDI n. sp. Pl. 9, figs. 3.

Shell characteristics: Shell obovate, light; abrupt slope from point of maximum height of shell to posterior canal, gradual slope to anterior canal; just dorsal to projection of posterior canal, shell is deeply umbilicate to such an extent that a shelf is present over the slight projection of the posterior canal; anterior canal projects slightly, leaving an impressed groove on the lateral shell margin on the left for a distance of about 3 mm., an impressed groove is also found on the right lateral margin of the shell extending posteriorly for about 5 mm.; a shelf of about 1 mm. broad is present over the anterior canal; posterior canal is curved to the left, and is about 1.10 mm. broad; anterior canal but slightly curved to the left, and about 1.75 mm. broad; base rounded; aperture curved to the left posteriorly, straight anteriorly; aperture narrowest posteriorly, about 1 mm. broad, widest anteriorly, about 2 mm. broad; columellar teeth extend over base about 1 mm.; columellar teeth on base are very narrow, and end on columella in knob-like projections; columellar teeth do not extend into aperture on columella; interstices between columellar teeth broad, slightly concave, and equal in width; outer lip teeth broader than columellar teeth, and form slight rounded ridges for a distance of about .75 mm. over base; interstices between outer lip teeth equal, broad, and slightly concave.

Color characteristics: Dorsal surface light brownish-ivory with unequal light brown spots scattered over surface, two unequal light brown blotches occupy center of dorsum; lateral margins



FIGS. 1, 1a, 1b, *Lamellaria sharoni* Willett. FIGS. 2, 2a, 2b, *Cypraca pilsbryi* Ingram. FIGS. 3, 3a, 3b, *Cypraca jensostergaardi* Ingram.